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THE RECENT HIGHWAY ROBBERY.

The police have pursued with success their investigation into the recent highway robbery case which occurred in Connaught Road in the early hours of Wednesday morning, by which a cattle dealer from Kennedy Town lost \$700. Two arrests have been made, and part of the money recovered.

The men were brought up at the Magistracy to-day and remanded for a week.

THE Y. M. C. A. LIBRARY.

New Books Added.

As a result of the annual concert in connection with the Y. M. C. A. Library several new books have been added to-day, amongst them being: "Sartor Resartus," Thomas Carlyle; "The Professor at the Breakfast Table," Holmes; "The Autocrat at the Breakfast Table," Holmes; "The Bible in Spain," Borrow; "Letters," Chesterfield; "La vengeance," Proust; "Romany Rye," Borrow; "Ways that are Dark," Walshe; "Historical Mysteries," Andrew Lang; "Lily Jennifer," J. S. Winter; "Maya," P. L. Oliphant; "The Fighting Line," D. Lyall; "The Sword of the Lord," J. Hocking; "The Degenerate," F. Whitlaw; "A Pawn in the Game," W. E. Fitchett; "The New Jane," J. Newbold; "My Lady of Shalott," J. Oxenham; "One Immortality," H. Fielding Hall; "In Search of the Unknown," R. W. Chambers; "Jimbo," A. Blackwood; "For the Term of His Natural Life," M. Clarke; "The Yellow God," H. Rider Haggard.

FREEMASONRY IN SHANGHAI

Inauguration of District Grand Master.

The Shanghai Mercury, of 1st inst., says:—The Masonic Hall was last night the scene of the most important Masonic function which has taken place in Shanghai in recent years. Worshipful Brother Robert Sutcliffe Iry being inaugurated as District Grand Master of Northern China, E. C. I. had been on the 1st inst. arranged that R. W. Bro. Sir Paul Chater, D. G. M. of Hongkong and South China, should perform the inauguration ceremony, but owing to his having sustained a somewhat serious accident the previous week he was unable to attend. The ceremony was taken by W. Bro. T. F. Hough, Deputy D. G. M. of Hongkong and South China. There was a very large attendance of Masons in the hall to witness the ceremony, all the Lodges in Shanghai and the jurisdiction of the District Grand Lodge of Northern China having large contingents, while Tientsin, Chinkiang and Kiangsu Lodges were also represented. The local Lodges under the Southern and Massachusetts constitutions were also fully represented, as was Lodge Johannes under the German Constitution. Besides the Deputy District Grand Master the District Grand Lodge of Hongkong and South China was represented by W. Bro. W. J. Titcher, D. S. G. W. W. H. Wickham, D. J. G. W. A. O. D. Gourdin, D. G. Sec., and E. C. T. Lewis. A 3rd putation was also present from the District Grand Lodge of Scottish Freemasonry in Hongkong and South China consisting of W. Bro. H. Holey, D. G. Sec., and W. Bro. F. Last, P. D. G. J. D. The proceedings were opened by W. Bro. T. W. Kingmill, P. A. G. D. C. E. D. G. M., who extended a hearty welcome to the visiting brethren. All being in readiness, W. Bro. Iry was received and the inauguration ceremony was gone through in a most impressive manner. After the banquet was in progress the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were proposed and honored. Songs, etc., were also contributed by several of the musical brethren and a pleasant evening was brought to a close about midnight, the terminating an historical event that will be long remembered by all who participated.

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9 p.m.—Performance of Hippodrome

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Miscellaneous.

Goods per China undelivered at Noon

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General Memoranda.

Monday, May 10.—

2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-

ture, &c., at No. 2, Lyemson Villas,

Kowloon.

5 p.m.—Auction of Valuable Postage

Stamps, at Mr. Geo. P. Lammer's

Sales Rooms.

Goods per Peking undelivered after

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Tuesday, May 11.—

Goods per Prinz Eduard Friedrich unde-

livered after this date subject to rent.

Wednesday, May 12.—

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-

ture, &c., at No. 9, Kennedy Road.

Goods per Kormann undelivered after this

date subject to rent.

Friday, May 14.—

Goods per Denbighshire not cleared on

this date at 9 a.m. subject to rent.

2.15 p.m.—Meeting of His Majesty's

Justices of the Peace at the Magistracy.

The China Mail

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MAY 7, 1909.

THE EXTRAVAGANCES OF

ABDUL HAMID.

THURSDAY'S telegram regarding the dis-

coveries made in the treasury of Yildiz

Kiosque, is scarcely surprising in its

details. On looking through the English

papers lately arriving one is almost

driven to the conclusion that if the

downfall of Abdul Hamid had not been

brought about by his political sins of

omission and commission it would not

have required many more years for his

financial extravagances to have accom-

plished his overthrow. The Turk is a

remarkably patient individual, as

begets his fatalistic creed, but even his

capacity for complaisance and happy-

go-lucky inertia had its limits.

Kiosque, is scarcely surprising in its

host of sheikhs, sheriffs, and notables:

But this was not all. During the month

of Ramadan, poor people collected in

thousands towards sunset, and could

count on obtaining "Ifar"—the even-

ing meal, when good Mahometans break

the fast for the day, taking their first

food, water, and cigarette since dawn.

The waste, extravagance, and pecculation

prevailing, we can easily understand,

were beyond description. A French

cook at the palace is said to have asked

for a little beef to prepare some dish for

the Sultan. He was brought any ox.

On his protesting that he only wanted

a little, he was answered, with a grin,

that what he did not require could

easily be given away!

The Sultan's stables and aviaries were

conducted on an equally extravagant

scale. Hundreds of horses with an

army of coachmen, grooms and

attendants; thousands of cages con-

taining birds collected from all parts

of the world, entailed an expenditure

sufficient to maintain a small Navy.

Yet the spending powers of these

departments of the Palace were as

nothing compared with the "harem."

By "harem," says the Constantinople

correspondent of the Standard, must

be understood "not only the Sultan's

wives, but all sisters, daughters, and

relatives, with an odd thousand or so of

women attendants and servants who, by

one pretext or another, have succeeded

in attaching themselves to the palace."

The ladies of the palace kept very high

state. Besides their negro attendants,

they kept up a Court, with their ladies

of this and mistress of that, as full

and complicated as their lord the

Sultan's. In dress and jewellery the

ladies of the harem were allowed to

gratify extravagant tastes, to which no

curb was placed so long as money could

be obtained by hook or by crook.

Their indoor dress of late years has been

generally European, and Paris supplied

many a smart gown for them. In

jewellery their taste ran rather towards

the gaudy and ornate; rings with

large diamonds and rubies, emeralds,

and sapphires; earrings of weight and

value, but little artistic beauty; little

cups for the head, thickly covered with

gems. Their native dresses, too, were

frequently stiff with embroidery of

precious stones. Cigarette cases and

holders, jewel boxes, sweet boxes, hand

glasses, brushes and combs, all in ma-

sive gold or silver, roughly finished and

poorly chased, but set with stones of

great beauty and value, were also

deemed necessary. No wonder Turkey

groaned under the weight of the Palace

expenditure, and we imagine that the

hands of the Committee of Union and

Progress were greatly strengthened

during the late crisis by the reports which

the Budget Committee presented. Abdul

Hamid's cup of iniquity against his long

suffering people was long since filled to

overflowing and it was high time that

he was removed.

The telegraphic news which has

reached the Far East gives colour to the

idea that a military despotism has

replaced the autocracy of Abdul Hamid,

for it was undoubtedly the Army which

brought about the change of Sultans.

But the Turkish parliament is no

negligible thing for all that. We read:

"It is a curious, businesslike assembly,

consisting of some two hundred and

twenty deputies, who attend in picture-

sque, brightly coloured national dress.

The debates run on lines very similar to

those in our House of Commons. Strict

obedience is rendered to the President

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The Hamburg-Amerika liner Scandia,

which recently ran on the rocks at Lintin

Island, was taken into dock this morning

by the tug David Gillies.

Lord Wenmay, who was born in 1818,

is now, owing to the death of Lord

Gwydyr, the oldest member of the House

of Lords.

The Y.M.C.A. acknowledges with

thanks the receipt of \$54.52, part of the

proceeds from the performance of "The

Silver King," by the Kowloon Dock

A.D.C.

At 5.30 to-morrow afternoon Messrs

Hughes and Hough will sell by auction the

following ponies at Kennedy's Stables,

Mavornen, Killaloe, Shanaboo and

Minnow; also a Water mare, lady's hack,

and a China pony hack.

The death list of the terrific tornado

that swept over Mississippi, Tennessee and

Arkansas on May 1, has been swelled by

latter reports to 300. The property loss

to the regions visited by the disaster is

incalculable to date.

Mr E. V. Bauckham, the representative

in China of Rosenstock's Directory, is at

present in Hongkong in the interests of his

well-known and almost indispensable

publication. He is preparing the lists for

a new edition.

Lord Kitchener is now the senior active

general in the combined armies, British

and Indian. Of the field-marshal's list,

three out of eight have held supreme com-

mand in the East Indies, these being Sir

Frederick Roberts (now in his ninetieth

year), Lord Roberts, and Sir George White.

The statistics of the World's Alliance

Y.M.C.A. for January 15th, 1909, show

7,823 Associations, with 821,200 members,

2,973 paid Secretaries, 1,161 buildings

owned and occupied by the Association,

valued at \$2,879,885. This shows an in-

crease, over 1908, of 20,708 members, 110

paid Secretaries, and \$1,120,000 in build-

ings.

Next year three important International

Congresses will be held in Brussels:

viz. the Congress of Agricultural Associa-

tions; the Congress of Home Education;

the Congress of Administrative Sciences.

These Congresses take place during the

International Exhibition, and the Consul

OFFICIAL CHANGES AT PEKING.

(Wah Tai Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, May 6.

The following official appointments are rumored as likely to be shortly made:—Prince Su, to be President of the Board of Foreign Affairs; H. F. Tieh Liang, Viceroy of Manchuria; H. E. Shi Liang, President of the Board of Communications; H. E. Chu Shi Chang, President of the Board of the Interior.

ANOTHER CHINESE GRAND COUNCILLOR.

(Wah Tai Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, May 6.

The Prince Regent intends to add another Chinese member to the Grand Council.

CHINA'S INFANT EMPEROR.

(Wah Tai Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, May 6.

Lo Nai Shun, a prominent official in Peking, has suggested in a memorial that foreign nurses be engaged to take care of the infant Emperor.

NO MORE FOREIGN LOANS.

(Wah Tai Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, May 6.

H. E. Shi Liang has strongly advised the Government to stop again negotiating foreign loans for the purpose of railway construction, shipping or telegraphs. The Prince Regent has been greatly impressed by the advice.

FOREIGN ENVOYS ENTERTAINED.

(Wah Tai Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, May 6.

The foreign envoys who represented their various countries at the late Emperor's funeral were entertained to dinner on the 5th inst. by Prince Ching.

COMPANY MEETINGS.

Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., was held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, to-day, for the purpose of confirming the following special resolution, which was duly passed at an extraordinary meeting of the society held on the 21st April, 1909:—That the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the society be respectively extended, altered and amended so as to read as shown in the print signed for the purpose of identification by the chairman of this meeting and that such extended, altered and amended Memorandum and Articles of Association be henceforth adopted as the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the society to the exclusion of those heretofore prevailing.

Mr E. Ormiston presided and there were present Messrs W. Helms, E. S. Barrett, A. E. Forbes, directors, F. Smythe, H. D. Fook, A. B. Rouse, D. B. Murray, D. D. Cargar, H. A. Siebe, G. Bandow and the Secretary, Mr Montague Ede.

The Secretary read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman proposed the adoption of the resolution.

Mr. Bandow seconded, and the motion was carried.

The Chairman:—That is all the business gentlemen; thank you for your attendance.

The China Traders' Insurance Company, Ltd.

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Mr E. Ormiston presided and there were present Messrs E. S. Barrett, F. W. Bandow, O. S. Gubbay, W. Helms, A. E. Forbes, H. A. Siebe, directors; A. B. Rouse, H. J. M. Carvalho, B. M. C. Cunha, V. R. Remedia, J. A. Cavalho, A. E. Alves, F. J. A. Barros, J. Gardiner, and the Secretary, Mr Montague Ede.

The Secretary read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman proposed the adoption of the resolution.

Mr A. B. Rouse seconded, and the motion was carried.

The Chairman:—That is all the business before the meeting, gentlemen; thank you for your attendance.

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A STRANGE STORY.

Woman Drowned in the Harbour.

A strange case has come under the notice of the police. Early last evening a Chinaman employed in the Registrar General's department came to the Central Station and reported that a coolie had visited his rooms with a bag of rice which he said he had received instructions to deliver. The man told the coolie that it was not for him, but the latter persisted that it was. Not long afterwards other coolies also came bringing rice. This aroused suspicions in the man's mind that they had come to "spy out the land" prior to committing a robbery. The matter was taken in hand by the police, and while the complainant was out with a constable searching for some of the coolies, a person secured entrance to the premises, went to the floor above, and made off with two women, who, it is believed, had left their husbands in the country. The women were taken to a boat, and before the police could get on the track of the kidnapper both of them had jumped overboard. The man who was in charge of the women plunged in after them and managed to rescue one, but the other was drowned.

CARGOES IN OIL VESSELS.

Standard Oil Co.'s Enterprise.

At the invitation of the Standard Oil Company of New York a number of Chinese commercial gentlemen resident in Hongkong yesterday paid a visit to the British steamer Ashtabula as she lay off Stonecutter Island on her first appearance in Hongkong waters. It is interesting in passing to observe that the Ashtabula was, under another name, used in the Russo-Japanese war by the Russian Navy as a water steamer and was eventually left by them at Saigon. The steamer was chartered but never paid for by the Russian Government and on being taken over by the builders was purchased by Standard Oil Company. Before she left the builders' yards numerous improvements were effected at a cost of something like \$1,500.

Of late the Ashtabula has been engaged in the oil trade between San Francisco and the Far East, but now a new venture, at least as far as the Orient is concerned, has been hit upon, and it was to demonstrate the effectuality of this that the visitors were yesterday asked on board. The proposal is that the vessel shall be used on the outward voyage to carry oil and on the backward trip shall be utilized for the purpose of transshipping ordinary cargo. In order to make this practicable certain plans have been adopted. Most of the cargo is to be accommodated in the eight huge tanks, each with a carrying capacity of 1,400 tons, which are used for the storing of oil on the outward voyage. In ordinary circumstances such methods would prove fatal to the value of the cargo, but special means have been adopted which will ensure any class of merchandise being carried without being in the least degree damaged. Each of the tanks, after the oil has been emptied, receives a thorough washing by means of compressed steam and caustic soda and is then given two coatings of linowash. A wooden flooring is then laid in and the compartments become precisely the same as those of the ordinary cargo steamer. To make matters still better each tank is being continuously ventilated by forced draught from the fan room where a 15 foot fan spins at the rate of 1,500 revolutions per minute. For the benefit of those who may possibly feel sceptical as to the absolute preservation of the cargo from the smell and taint of oil under this system it may be mentioned that the present skipper of the boat, Capt. Harding, has had a considerable experience of like projects and has never found the method at fault. Not long since he conveyed from India to England a cargo of wheat and peas in these cleansed tanks and not a penny of damage was claimed for injured goods. "Indeed, it is held that a far less risk is run than in the case of the average tramp steamer by reason of the far superior system of ventilation in use. It may be mentioned that it takes some four or five days to prepare the oil tanks for the reception of cargo."

For the accommodation of particularly sensitive cargoes there is a 'twice dock' running the whole length of each side of the boat. In all there are ten compartments thus provided, with a total capacity of 1,000 tons. These also are subject to special means of ventilation. Then there is also plenty of accommodation for light cargo, while in the well-appointed cabins and saloons there will soon be room for at least 28 passengers. The Ashtabula is indeed a much improved boat and, above all, is thoroughly seaworthy.

FORMER HONGKONG SOLDIER COMMITS SUICIDE.

Staff-Quartermaster-Sergeant Creymer, of the Army Service Corps, stationed at Watergate House, Chester, has committed suicide by gas poisoning at his residence in Clove Avenue, Hooke. It appears that on August 20, 1908, deceased fell from the third story of the E. Block of the Staff Mess at Hongkong, and as a result of the accident he was sent forward for discharge but as he recovered so rapidly on the voyage he was allowed to continue in the service. At the inquest was read a pathetic letter from deceased to his wife, whom he married in January, and a verdict of suicide by gas poisoning was returned, the jury adding that there was insufficient evidence to show the state of deceased's mind when he committed the rash act.

Military honours were accorded deceased when his mortal remains were laid to rest, crowds lining the streets.

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A PRISONER'S ESCAPE AND RECAPTURE.

Yesterday at the Magistrate's a native was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment and six hours' stocks for stealing coins from a money-changer's counter. While being taken to the Station to be placed in the stocks he slipped one of his hands free from the handcuffs, with which he shabbed at the constable in charge, inflicting a nasty cut about the eye which necessitated the man's removal to the hospital in order to be stitched. The prisoner got away but after a long chase was recaptured. To-day he was charged with assaulting and resisting and again was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment and six hours' stocks.

HANKOW RACE MEETING.

The Hankow races took place on the 26th, 27th and 28th April. As will be seen by the results appended the times were good:—

SWISS CUR.—Value \$150. For all Ponies.

Once round.

Mr Scapell's Othello, 152 lbs. (O'Connell) 1

Mr A.N.R.'s Zagada, 155 lbs. (O'Connell) 2

Mr Ewo's Abdul Aswad, 149 lbs. (Gegg) 3

FAIR-MORTEL CUR.—Value \$150. For all ponies. Half a mile.

Mr Lashmahagow's Bantam, 150 lbs. (Chalmers) 1

Mr Scapell's Brutus, 155 lbs. (O'Connell) 2

Mr Elton's Heather, 155 lbs. (O'Connell) 3

MAIDEN STAKES.—Value \$150.—Three quarters of a mile.

Mr Ardankela's Alimdu, 152 lbs. (Moss) 1

Mr A. N. R.'s Zera, 149 lbs. (Chalmers) 2

Mr Scapell's Eiger, 155 lbs. (Meyer) 3

Alimdu won in the record time of 1.32.

GRAND CUR.—Presented by German residents in Hankow. Hananyang and W. Grifflin. For Griffins. To be won twice consecutively, or three times in all, by Griffins, the best day property of the same owner, or owners. Once round.

Mr Pagia's Nassauer, 158 lbs. (Huschelrath) 1

Mr Lueresen's Donar, 135 lbs. (Owner) 2

Mr Scapell's Lago, 155 lbs. (O'Connell) 3

Time, 2.15. The winning horse had a solitary backer in the Pari-mutuel, which paid \$747.

LOTTERY CUR.—Value, \$250. For all ponies. One mile and a half.

Mr Week's Longbill, 156 lbs. (O'Connell) 1

Mr Ewo's Abdul Aswad, 149 lbs. (Gegg) 2

Mr A.N.R.'s Zagada, 155 lbs. (Chalmers) 3

Time, 3.22.

SHARAP CUR.—Value \$150. For all ponies. One mile and a quarter.

Mr Scapell's Othello, 152 lbs. (O'Connell) 1

Mr Scapell's Eiger, 155 lbs. (Meyer) 2

Mr Elton's Heather, 155 lbs. (O'Connell) 3

Time, 2.45.

CAT-SE RACE CUR.—For all Ponies. Seven furlongs.

Mr Ardankela's Alimdu, 157 lbs. (Moss) 1

Mr Ewo's Abdul Aswad, 149 lbs. (Gegg) 2

Mr Lash-Ma-Hagow's Bantam, 154 lbs. (Chalmers) 3

Time, 1.49. Another record.

BARRAGE CUR.—Presented by British Residents in Hankow. For Griffins.—One mile and a quarter.

Mr Scapell's Lago, 155 lbs. (O'Connell) 1

Mr Elton's Heather, 155 lbs. (O'Connell) 2

Mr Elton's Heather, 155 lbs. (O'Connell) 3

Time, 2.46.

SECOND DAY.

HANKOW DERBY.—One mile and a half.

Mr Ardankela's Alimdu, 152 lbs. (Moss) 1

Mr Lee's Misonari, 155 lbs. (Bouchard) 2

Mr Scapell's Lago, 155 lbs. (O'Connell) 3

Time, 3.38.

SWISS CUR.—Presented by Swiss residents in Hankow and Hananyang. For all ponies. One mile and a quarter.

Mr Scapell's Lago, 155 lbs. (O'Connell) 1

Mr Ewo's Abdul Aswad, 149 lbs. (Gegg) 2

Mr Ewo's Abdul Aswad, 149 lbs. (Gegg) 3

Time, 2.58.

LADIES PURSE.—Once round.

Mr Ewo's Abdul Aswad, 149 lbs. (Gegg) 1

Mr Ewo's Abdul Aswad, 149 lbs. (Gegg) 2

Mr Ewo's Abdul Aswad, 149 lbs. (Gegg) 3

Time, 2.21.

FRANCE CUR.—Presented by French Residents in Hankow. For Griffins. One mile.

Mr Renau's Daffodil, 149 lbs. (O'Connell) 1

Mr Mac's Koipie, 152 lbs. (Gegg) 2

Mr Ewo's Abdul Aswad, 149 lbs. (Gegg) 3

Time, 2.22.

TAIKOO YACHTS CUR.—Presented by the Captains, Officers and Engineers of the China Navigation Co., Ltd. One mile.

Mr Erika's Vopre, 154 lbs. (O'Connell) 1

Mr Scapell's Othello, 157 lbs. (O'Connell) 2

Mr Lashmahagow's Bantam, 154 lbs. (Chalmers) 3

Time, 2.01.

RUSSIAN CUR.—One mile and a half.

Mr Week's Longbill, 156 lbs. (O'Connell) 1

Mr Ewo's Abdul Aswad, 149 lbs. (Gegg) 2

Mr Lee's Misonari, 155 lbs. (Bouchard) 3

Time, 3.39.

RUSSIAN CUR.—Presented by Russian Residents in Hankow. For Griffins. One mile and a quarter.

Mr Klon's Gladiator, 155 lbs. (Bouchard) 1

Mr Lueresen's Donar, 135 lbs. (Owner) 2

Mr Mac's Koipie, 152 lbs. (Gegg) 3

Time, 3.00.

HANKOW STAKES.—A forced entry for all Ponies entered at this meeting.—One mile and a quarter.

Sir Roland's Pulcinella, 152 lbs. (Gillman) 1

Mr Ardankela's Alimdu, 152 lbs. (Moss) 2

Mr Scapell's Brutus, 155 lbs. (O'Connell) 3

Time, 2.50.

VICTORIA CINEMATOGRAF.

Mr Steve Adson and Miss Jessie Thorne the popular and talented sketch artists and expert dancers, are to be given a farewell benefit to-night at the above amusement hall. This being the signal of their farewell, they should be accorded a real bumper house. During their season at the Victoria Cinematograph they have created immense laughter and amusement with their clever up-to-date sketches, specialties, songs and artistic dancing. For this special occasion, several local and professional artists will appear in conjunction with the latest and most up-to-date comic, realistic and sensational loving pictures just arrived. Intending patrons should go early to avoid the crush.

EVENTS AT CONSTANTINOPLE.

Explanation by a Turkish Officer.

Capt. Fadl, of the Turkish Army, who is now in Japan, a few days before the fall of Abdul Hamid, wrote to the Liberal News Agency of Tokyo substantially as follows:—

Sir.—Brief accounts of what is taking place at present in Constantinople published in the newspapers in Japan do not clearly portray the fatal picture of disquieting events and leave the ordinary reader unenlightened on the subject of the apparent success of reaction. It would therefore not be out of place to give a short sketch of the recent history of despotism in Turkey; its overthrow by a bloodless revolution 9 months ago, and the reactionary efforts to overthrow the Constitutional Government by the Sultan's last stroke. Thirty-three years ago the Turkish Empire was in a critical condition both through the rebellion from within and intrigues from without. The great patriot and martyr for the cause of liberty and Constitution—Mehmet Fusha—realized the gravity of the situation, brought about the co-operation of other patriotic men, a change in the government of Turkey from despotism to Constitutional monarchy.

After the deposition of Sultan Abdul Aziz and the protracted illness of Sultan Murad, whose reign extended to three months only, Sultan Abdul Hamid the 2nd was installed on the proud throne of the Ottoman Turks. The first official act of Sultan Abdul Hamid was the proclamation of the Constitution and the establishment of a Representative assembly at Constantinople. This sign of regeneration in Turkey filled many European Powers, hostile to the welfare of Turkey, with alarm. Russia, becoming the mouthpiece of those Powers, declared war against Turkey in 1877. The Turkish nation and the government were occupied with the question of war and had to guard against the intrigues from within. The Sultan, thus finding a golden opportunity, stole a march upon the Constitutional party and established absolute despotism.

For 32 years the Sultan remained supreme in the land and caused untold misery to the country and the nation. He carried war relentlessly against the Constitutional party, persecuting and exterminating wherever any of them came into his grasp. Hundreds of the patriots found a watery grave at the bottom of the Bosphorus while thousands of them suffered hardships and agonies of death in exile.

In spite of the fact that the Sultan possessed the resources of the Empire and that he had a well organized army of spies, the brave little band of patriots never lost heart in regard to the re-establishment of liberty and a Constitution in Turkey. The name of Ahmed Riza, Apostle of Liberty and indefatigable worker for the cause of the Constitution, kept up a constant game of cat and mouse with the Sultan. He worked hard against heavy odds, risking fortune, life and everything for 30 years. At last his efforts were crowned with success when they succeeded in winning over those hard army corps in Macedonia to the cause of liberty. While the cause of Constitution was progressing slowly but surely, the maladministration of the Sultan and his corrupt courtiers was driving the empire to ruin and destruction, and the European Powers were seriously considering the subject of the further annexation of other provinces of Turkey. Nay, it was even decided from England and Russia to detach Macedonia from the Ottoman Empire, and King Edward went to Reval to give a finishing touch to this arbitrary act by personal conversation with the Czar when the immortal Nizha and Enver Bey, the two commanders of the Macedonian Army corps, unfurled the banner of liberty with the threat of marching 300,000 soldiers into Constantinople and compelling the Sultan to restore the Constitution, thus foiling the designing schemes of the European Powers last July. And thus a great revolution from absolutism to parliamentary government was brought about without bloodshed. Again this new prospect of revival of life and the dawn of the democratic regime in Turkey upset the equilibrium of many European Powers. This time Bulgaria and Austria were selected to act as the cat's paw for other European governments.

So the declaration of independence by Bulgaria and the annexation of the two provinces by Austria came as a bolt from the blue to the newly-constituted Constitutional government in Turkey. The apprehension of war in the Balkans and the possibility of disturbances in the outlying provinces of the Ottoman Empire, compelled the reformed Cabinet in Turkey to concentrate their thought and activity on foreign affairs and neglect the possibility of a revival of tactics on the part of the reactionary party. What with protracted negotiations with Austria and Bulgaria, and with the introduction of reforms in the country and election of the representatives of the people for the Parliament in Constantinople, the party of Progress and Union was too absorbed to pay attention to the intrigues of the Sultan.

From the scene of Bulgaria, owing to the action of Bulgaria and Austria, the Sultan Abdul Hamid found the situation similar to what he did in 1877 after the declaration of war with Russia and it seems he tried again to effect a coup d'etat by bringing the garrison in Constantinople to overthrow the constitutional government and reduce the Turkish Parliament to the position of the Duma in Russia. Fortunately for the future of Turkey and Asia in general, the scheme of the Sultan to revive the despotic regime will not succeed this time. First of all, the elements that go to constitute the Ottoman nation are heartily disgusted with the atrocious methods of the old regime during the last 32 years. Secondly, the Committee of Union and Progress had strongly fortified its position throughout the Empire. Thirdly, the army, excepting the garrison in Constantinople, is for the Constitution. Fourthly, the Ulema (experts of the principles of Islam) with Gemal El Din Kifendi, Sheikh El Islam, at their head, have declared that despotism is against the spirit of Islam.

So the pretension of the Sultan that he is going to uphold the "Shariat" (Sacred law of Islam) will not prevail and will deceive none. The very fact that the Sultan has broken the solemn oath that he took at the Restoration of the Constitution 9 months ago, as he did 30 years ago, and outraged the confidence placed in him by the Committee of Union and Progress and by the nation at large, who forgave all his past misdeeds and crimes and misadventures and pardoned his "Jama-tion" (banishment) and pardon, will not save him. It was not want of foresight on the part of the Constitutional party to re-

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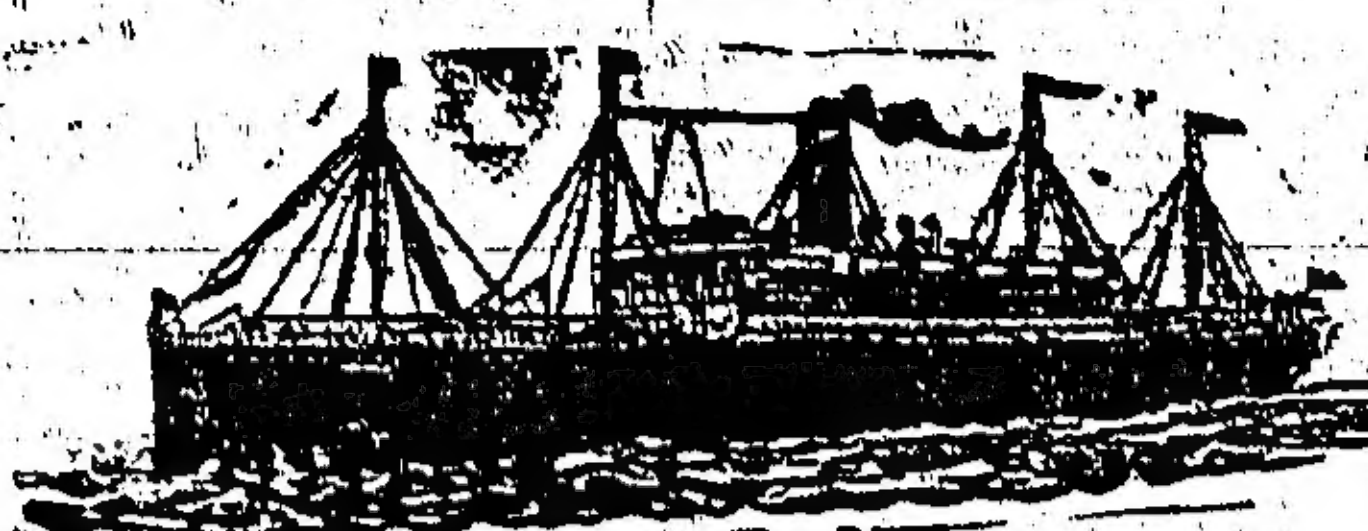
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ON A JAPANESE "BESSEMER"

Many residents of Hongkong can say "ditto" to the two girls, who recently published their experiences in Japan, in the *Wide World Magazine*.

The train was crowded with Japanese, and when night came the long seat was divided up into portions, the upper berths were pulled down, and we all huddled into our respective bunks, men and women mixed up together. It was distinctly trying to be obliged to hoist oneself up into a high upper berth before a mixed assembly, and more trying still to descend in the morning with a very incomplete toilet, but the blindest ignorance of our Japanese neighbour that there was anything unusual in such a proceeding considerably relieved our embarrassment. His attitude and calm manner of factness were very reassuring, and the wonderfully cheerful conductor who brushed our clothes and fastened our blouses seemed to consider himself specially suited for the post of lady's-maid.

COSTUMES FOR AERO-PLANISTS.

Fashions for Women Flyers.

Now that aeroplaning is fast pushing its way into the minds of Englishmen it will not be long before Englishwomen follow in their wake.

There are no women aeroplanists as yet, but we may expect them as we expected—and got—the woman motorist.

The question of what to wear in an aeroplane, or flying machine of any kind, is becoming of some importance to women.

West End tailors are already devising suits which will be serviceable for women aviators. Thick, home spun tweeds of a heavy make is the best material, with leather as trimming, if desired. A suit consisting of a short skirt and Norfolk-shaped coat, very well cut about the arms and shoulders, would be the most important garment. Over this could be worn a "tweed" coat, with a high turned up collar, and buttoning down the front. A cap, hem at the bottom on the coat would contain weights, or a cord could be run round which would keep it firmly in place.

For the practical woman there would be no better a stove than that known as the "rational" coat and knee breeches, and puttees would not only be warm but comfortable and convenient in case of accident.

The top coat would be worn as well, and would be no trouble to slip on and off. The best kind of hat would be one that fitted the head closely, or a leather bonnet tied on with strings. These are suggestions of various tailors, and it seems quite possible that it may not be very long before "my flying outfit" will form part of every fashionable woman's wardrobe.

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SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally—BRAN & BLACK, San Francisco.

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INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

FOR	STEAMSHIP	TO SAIL
SANDAKAN	MAUSANG	MONDAY, May 10, at Noon.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	FRIDAY, May 14, at 4 p.m.
KOBE	AMARA	SATURDAY, May 15, at 4 p.m.
SINGAPORE	FEANG NANSANG	TUESDAY, May 18, at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOI	KUTSANG	WEDNESDAY, May 19, at Noon.

RETURN TOURS TO JAPAN, Occupying 24 days.

The steamers Kutsang, Namsang and Fookang leave about every 3 weeks for Shanghai and Yokohama, returning via Kobe (Inland Sea) and Moji to Hongkong, providing about 5 to 6 days in Japan if passengers leave the steamer at Yokohama and rejoin at Kobe.

These vessels have all modern improvements and are fitted throughout with Electric Lights. A duly qualified Surgeon is also carried.

Steamers have superior Accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

Taking Cargo on Through Bills of Lading to Yangtze Ports, Chefoo, Tientsin & Newchwang.

Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to Khat, Lahad, Data, Simpanana, Tawau, Usukan, Jesselton and Labuan.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., Telephone No. 61, General Managers.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMSHIP	TO SAIL
WHEATWELL, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	HONGKONG	May 9, Daylight.
SHANGHAI	CHENAN	May 9, Daylight.
KINGPO & SHANGHAI	HANYANG	May 10, at 4 p.m.
MANILA	TAIYANG	May 11, at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	YINCHOW	May 13, at 4 p.m.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PT. DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, OATINS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, with transhipment for TASMANIA, NEW ZEALAND, ADELAIDE, FREMANTLE & PERTH	TAIWAN	May 14, at 4 p.m.

SHANGHAI

MANILA

SHANGHAI

DIRECT SAILINGS TO WEST RIVER—Twice Weekly.

S.S. "LINTAN" and S.S. "SANULI."

AUSTRALIAN STEAMERS have superior accommodation, with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the State-rooms. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

REDUCED FARES. Cargo booked through for all Australia, New Zealand and Tasmanian Ports.

MANILA-TWIN SCREW STEAMERS & TIENTSIN STEAMERS have superior accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the State-rooms and Dining Saloon.

FAST SCHEDULE TWIN SCREW STEAMERS (S.S. Anbei, Chenan, Linan, Chienan), with excellent passenger accommodation, Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in State-rooms and Dining Saloon, leave Hongkong for Shanghai direct every Thursday and Sunday, taking cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

These Steamers land passengers in Shanghai, avoiding the inconvenience of transhipment at Woosung.

FARE INCLUDING WINES—Single \$40, return \$70.

For "Europe" and "India" apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS, Telephone No. 88.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

Shipping.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS

MARSEILLES & LONDON.

TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR
COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, BRINDISI, &c.
THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

Steamers	Leave	Connecting Steamers	Due at	Due at
to	Hongkong	from Colombo to	Marseilles (Brindisi)	London
Colombo		Marseilles & London	2 days earlier	1 day later
DELTA	May 15	INDIA	June 13	June 13
COELNA	May 20	VICTORIA	June 26	July 3
DELI	May 25	MOOLTAN	July 10	July 16
DEVANHA	May 28	CHINA	July 24	July 31
AS-AYE	June 1	MADEIRA	Aug. 7	Aug. 13
DELTA	June 5	MONTANA	Aug. 21	Aug. 27
DELI	June 8	MONTANA	Sept. 4	Sept. 10
SALEDONIA	June 11	MONTANA	Sept. 18	Sept. 24
DEVANHA	June 14	MONTANA	Oct. 2	Oct. 8

Passenger change steamers at Colombo, and those for BRINDISI transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at Port Said.
Accommodation in the connecting steamer from Colombo is arranged in Hongkong at time of booking.
In addition to the above Mail Steamers the following—

INTERMEDIATE (NON-TRANSIT) STEAMERS

LONDON.

CARRYING SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES.

Steamers	Leave	Due at
to	Hongkong	London
PERA	May 19	July 3
SOMALI	May 26	July 10
POONA	June 2	July 17
NAMUS	June 9	July 24
SIMLA	June 16	Aug. 1
MALTA	June 23	Aug. 8
RADINIA	June 30	Aug. 15
SYRIA	July 7	Aug. 22

These steamers call also at Singapore, Penang, Colombo, and at Malta & Marseilles.
* Carry 1st and 2nd Saloon Passengers.
For further particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

THE EASTERN & STEAMSHIP CO.

AUSTRALIAN MAIL SERVICE.

TO AUSTRALIA.

MAIL SCHEDULE.

(SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION).

Steamers	Arrive Hongkong	Leave Hongkong
from Australia	from Australia	for Australia
ALDENHAM	May 21	28th May, at Noon
EMPIRE	May 28	23rd June, at Noon
EASTERN	June 4	31st July, at Noon

THE above Steamers are fitted with Refrigerating Machinery, ensuring a plentiful supply of Ice, Fresh Provisions, etc., and are lighted throughout with Electricity. All State-Rooms have Electric Fans. A duly qualified Doctor and Stewardess are carried. For further particulars, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, November 2, 1908.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN

REGULAR THREE-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN
JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMER	FROM	EXPEDITION	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TOKIEN	JAPAN	First half of May	JAVA	First half of May
TJIBODAS	JAVA	Do.	JAPAN	Do.
TJIMAH	JAVA	Do.	AMOI	Do.
TJILWONG	JAVA	First half of June	JAPAN	First half of June
TJILATJAP	JAVA	Do.	SHANGHAI	Do.
TJIPANAS	JAVA	Second half of June	SHANGHAI	Second half of June

THE Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands-Indian ports on through Bills of Lading.
For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

Telephone No. 375.

YORK BUILDINGS, 1st Floor.

HONGKONG-MANILA.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers
between Hongkong and Manila—Saloon and Staterooms.
Electric Light—Porter—Cabin—Sergeant and Stewardess carried—All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.CHINA AND MANILA
STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	For	Sailing Date
TAIYO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila	Monday, May 10, at Noon
SUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	Manila	Saturday, May 15, at Noon

For Freight or Passage, apply to

Shewan, Tomes & Co. General Managers.

Shipping.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.HONGKONG—SOUTH CHINA
COAST PORTS.HIGHEST Class, Fastest and most luxurious Steamers on the Coast, having
splendid Accommodation for First-Class Passengers. Electric Light and First-
Class Cuisine.

Steamship	For	Leaves
HAIKANG	AMOI & FOCHOW.	SATURDAY, 8th May, at 4 p.m.
HAIMUN	SWATOW.	SATURDAY, 8th May, at 4 p.m.
HAICHING	SWATOW, AMOI & FOCHOW.	TUESDAY, 11th May, at 1 p.m.

For the convenience of Passengers, Steamers will arrive at, and depart from, the Company's Wharf (near Blake Pier).

Freight and Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, November 17, 1908.

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS, LTD.
FOR SOUTHAMPTON, LONDON &
ANTWERP.

FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA,
INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITER-
RANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH
AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATA-
VIA, PERSIAN, GULF, CON-
TINENTAL, AMERICAN AND
SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship DELTA, Captain
B. W. SNOW, carrying His Ma-
jesty's Mail, will be despatched from
this for BOMBAY &c., with Passengers
and Mails, on SATURDAY, the 13th May,
1909, at Noon, taking Passengers and
Cargo for the above ports, in connection
with the Company's Steamship India,
8,000 tons, from Colombo. Passengers
accommodation in which vessel is secured
before departure from Hongkong.
Suits and Valises, all Cargo for France,
and Tea for London (under arrangement) will
be transhipped at Colombo into the mail
steamer proceeding to Marseilles and
London; other cargo for London, &c., will
be carried via Bombay by the R.M.S.
Arctica, due in London on the 16th June,
1909.
Parcels will be received at this Office
until 4 p.m. the day before sailing.
The contents and value of all packages are
required.
For further particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, May 1, 1909. 693

AUSTRIAN NAVIGATION
COMPANY.

STEAM FOR
TRIESTE DIRECT, CALLING AT
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO,
BOMBAY, KARACHI, ADEN, SUZ,
AND PORT SAID.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to the
BRASSIA, PUNJAB GULF, RED SEA,
BLACK SEA, LEVANT, VENICE AND
ADRIATIC PORTS.)

THE Company's Steamship
CHINA, Captain BENJAMIN, will be despatched
on or about TUESDAY, the 25th
inst.

This Steamer has capital accommodation
for passengers, Electric Light and
carries a Doctor.

For information as to Passage and
Freight, apply to

SANDER, WIELER & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 5, 1909. 614

CHARGEURS REUNIS

FRENCH STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

REGULAR FRENCH SERVICE
TO SAN FRANCISCO, OCEANOGRAPHY, PERU,
CHILE, RIVER PLATE, BRAZIL.

THE steamers of the Chargeurs Reunis
Co. proceed from Yokohama DIRECT
TO SAN FRANCISCO, without any call
en route, thus offering a fast regular cargo
service from China and Japan to San
Francisco.

The S.S. AMIRAL KERMANS,
10,000 Tons, Captain X,
will be despatched for San Francisco and
other above destinations on or about the
21st of May.

For further particulars, apply to

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES,
Agents at Hongkong.

Hongkong, April 14, 1909. 617

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

HONGKONG TO SHANGHAI.

DIRECT CARGO AND PASSENGER
SCHEDULE SERVICE.

THE Twin Screw Steamers "ANHUI"
and "CHIN HUA" leave Hongkong alternately
every THURSDAY, 7 p.m. and SUNDAY, at
Daylight, for Shanghai direct.

The Sunday morning steamers are available
at the Postal Authorities for the con-
veyance of R.M. Mails to Europe, via the
Siberian route, and are the most regular
and convenient sailings for passengers re-
siding in Shanghai.

For further particulars, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, April 6, 1909. 632

Notices to Consignees

AMERICAN & MANCHURIAN LINE.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK & SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship
KORANNA,
Captain BEARS, having arrived from the
above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
informed that their goods are being landed
at their risk into the Godowns of the Hong-
kong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Com-
pany, Ltd., Kowloon, and stored at Con-
signees' risk and expense.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods
are to be left in the Godowns, where they
will be examined on WEDNESDAY, the 12th
inst., at 3 p.m.

No Claims must be presented within fifteen
days of the steamer's arrival after which
date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th
inst. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 6, 1909. 615

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.FROM PORTLAND AND JAPAN
PORTS.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship
NUMANIA.

The above named steamer having
arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
notified to send in their Bills of Lading for
counter-signature, and to take immediate
delivery of Cargo from alongside.

Cargo impeding discharge of the vessel
will be discharged at once at Consignees'
risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after SATUR-
DAY, May 8th, 1909, at Noon, will be
landed and stored at Consignees' risk and
expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.
All cargo undelivered after SATURDAY,
May 8th, 1909, at Noon, will be subject
to rent.

All chafed and otherwise damaged cargo
will be examined at the above Company's
Godown on TUESDAY, May 11th, 1909,
at 10 a.m.

S. SILVERSTONE,
Agent.

Hongkong, May 6, 1909. 607

MOGUL LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE STEAMSHIP FATHAN.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND
STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES OF Cargo are hereby
informed that all Goods are
being landed at their risk into the
Godowns of the Hongkong & Kow-
loon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd.,
at Kowloon, whence and/or from the
wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the 10th
inst. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be
presented to the Underwriter on or before
the 3rd June, if they will not be re-
cognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods
are to be left in the Godowns, where they
will be examined on the 11th inst., at
3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
DODD & CO., Ltd.,
Agents.

Fowloon, May 3, 1909. 601

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE STEAMSHIP

MANILA.

Having arrived, Consignees of cargo are
hereby informed that their Goods, with the
exception of Opium, Treasure and Valu-
ables, are being landed and stored at their
risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong
& Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited,
Kowloon and West Point Godowns, whence
delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods
remaining undelivered after the 8th of
May, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods
are to be left in the Godowns where they
will be examined on the 8th of May, at
9.30 a.m.

All Claims must reach us before the 12th
of May, 1909, or they will not be re-
cognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
the Underwriter.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 1, 1909. 691

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE STEAMSHIP

PRINZ Eitel FRIEDRICH.

having arrived, Consignees of cargo are
hereby informed that their Goods, with the
exception of Opium, Treasure and Valu-
ables, are being landed and stored at their
risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong
& Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited,
Kowloon and West Point Godowns, whence
delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods
remaining undelivered after the 11th of
May, 1909, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and Damaged Goods
are to be left in the Godowns, where they
will be examined on the 11th of May, at
9.30 a.m.

All Claims must reach us before the 15th
of May, 1909, or they will not be re-
cognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
the Underwriter.

This Steamer brings Cargo extra, Suez
from Barcelona.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
MELCHERS & CO.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, May 4, 1909. 612

SOUTH MANCHURIA RAILWAY

SHORTEST AND QUICKEST ROUTE



BETWEEN

CHINA & EUROPE, via DAIREN (DALNY).

MAIN RAILWAY LINE—Semi-Weekly Express Service from Dairen to Chang-
chun (Kwangchun), in connection with Siberian Express trains at Harbin, by a
train composed of excellently equipped Sleeping and Dining Cars expressly built
for the Company by the Pullman Car Co.

BRANCH RAILWAY LINES: Ryongun Line—For Ryongun (Port Arthur), 2 hours from Dairen.
Yingkou Line—For Yingkou (Newwang), 2 hours from Dairen.
Jiayu-Hsiao-Lung—A light railway from Mukden to Anning, Hsiao-Lung, connecting
with the Korean Railway.

STEAMSHIP SERVICE—Regular Direct Weekly Service by the fast Passenger
Steamer "Kos" (4,877 tons) sailing from Dairen every Monday and from
Shanghai every Friday, in connection with the South Manchuria Express and
Trans-Siberian Route (International Train de Leste).

RAILWAY HOTELS—FAMATO HOTEL (Tel. Add. "Yakumo").
At DAIREN (Daly), PORT ARTHUR and CHANGCHUN (Kwangchun).
All managed by the Company and provided with every convenience, luxury, and
comfort.

TICKET AGENTS in the FAR EAST & EUROPE—Messrs. THOS.
COOK & SON, and the INTERNATIONAL SLEEPING CAR and EXPRESS
TRAINS CO.

FUSHUN COAL

FUSHUN COLLIERIES—Fushun Steam Coal is supplied at Dairen, Yingkou, etc.
Fresh stock always on hand.

SOUTH MANCHURIA RAILWAY COMPANY, DAIREN.

Tel. Add. "MANCHURIA" Code: A.B.C. 5th Ed. A.T. and LEXINGTON.
Hongkong, January 1, 1909.

Notices to Consignees.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, HONOLULU,
JAPAN & SHANGHAI.

CONSIGNEES OF Cargo per Steamship
CHINA.

The above named steamer having
arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
notified to send in their Bills of Lading for
counter-signature, and to take immediate
delivery of cargo from alongside.

Cargo impeding discharge of the vessel
will be landed at once at Consignees' risk
and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after TUES-
DAY, May 11th, 1909, at Noon, will be
landed and stored at Consignees' risk and
expense.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be
effected.

All cargo undelivered after SATURDAY,
May 8th, 1909, at Noon will be subject
to rent.

All chafed and otherwise damaged cargo
will be examined at the above Company's
Godown on THURSDAY, May 13th, 1909, at
10 a.m.

S. SILVERSTONE,
Agent.

Hongkong, May 1, 1909. 680

NIPPON YUSEN KAISEA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANT-
WERP, LONDON, COLOMBO
AND SINGAPORE.

THE Co.'s Steamship Sado Maru,
having arrived from the above ports,
Consignees of cargo are hereby in-
formed that their Goods are being landed
and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's
Godowns at Kowloon, where each consign-
ment will be sorted out mark by mark and
delivery can be obtained as soon as the
Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared before the 11th inst.,
will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Damaged Packages must be left in the
Godowns for examination by the Con-
signee's and the Co.'s representatives at an
appointed hour. All claims must be pre-
sented within ten days of the steamer's
arrival here, after which date they cannot
be recognised. No claims will be admitted
after the goods have left the Godowns.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISEA.

Hongkong, May 4, 1909. 610

J. EYES

FLUID

SOLE AGENTS.

W. G. HUMPHREYS & CO.,
BANK BUILDINGS.

Hongkong, May 13, 1906. 1024

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